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CHAPTER 151

HOUSE BILL 2714

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-533, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL
TEACHERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 15-533, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-533. Reciprocity; proficiency examination

5 A. To qualify for either a basic or standard teaching certificate, or
6 equivalent certificate later adopted by the state board of education, a
7 person must pass each component of the proficiency examination developed and
8 administered by the state board of education. The proficiency examination
9 shall consist of only a professional knowledge test and a subject knowledge
10 test. A person is not required to take a component of the examination if the
11 person has passed a component on a proficiency examination which has been
12 adopted by a state board of education or equivalent agency in another state
13 and which has been determined to be equivalent to the applicable component on
14 the examination prescribed in this section by the state board of education in
15 this state. The state board of education may grant a basic or standard
16 teaching certificate for not to exceed one year to a teacher who is a
17 nonresident and who has not met the requirement of this section at the time
18 of application.

19 B. A person is not required to pass the proficiency examination or the
20 equivalent examination more than once, except that a person who passed the
21 examination DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF
22 EDUCATION seven or more years before qualifying to teach in this state is
23 required to repass the examination. A PERSON WHO PASSED A PROFICIENCY
24 EXAMINATION ADOPTED BY A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OR EQUIVALENT AGENCY IN
25 ANOTHER STATE SEVEN OR MORE YEARS BEFORE QUALIFYING TO TEACH IN THIS STATE IS
26 REQUIRED TO PASS THE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN
27 THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXCEPT THAT A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN
28 EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER IN ANOTHER STATE FOR AT LEAST FIVE OF THE PREVIOUS
29 SEVEN YEARS BEFORE QUALIFYING TO TEACH IN THIS STATE IS NOT REQUIRED TO
30 REPASS THE EXAMINATION.

31 C. A PERSON WHO IS NOT REQUIRED TO PASS THE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION
32 DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
33 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS A OR B SHALL ONLY BE GRANTED RECIPROCITY FOR THOSE
34 PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED IN THIS STATE THAT PERTAIN TO THE GRADE
35 LEVELS AND CONTENT AREAS THAT THE PERSON IS CERTIFIED TO TEACH IN ANOTHER
36 STATE.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 1, 2007.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY 1, 2007.